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Cloture.

At a time when the Senate stands approved as seldom before, it is asked to change its form of procedure in a most important feature. For nearly two years the Senate has saved the day. All the principal measures originating in that time in the House have been improved after passing that body. All debate worthy the name has taken place in the Senate. In the House discussion has been cut to the limit. King Caucus and gag rule have been supreme. The President, acting through those two agencies, has had his way, repudiating or modifying the Baltimore platform at his pleasure. But the Senate has insisted on freedom of speech, and never in our affairs for a like period has free speech contributed so much to the general welfare. But for that the country would have been saddled with a tariff law, a currency law and new trust laws far more objectionable to the business world than those now existing. In the several emergency appeals were taken to the Senate—as often by democrats as by republicans—and errors were corrected, or their effects softened.

The House rules were revised a quarter century ago because it was possible under them for a handful of men to block all business—the thing had often been done. An expert parliamentarian, by organizing and leading a mere squad, could make himself master of the chamber, defying the majority and practically displacing the Speaker.

No such thing has ever been done in the Senate, and no such thing is being done now. It is almost an even break in that body on the ship purchase bill. One tie vote has been recorded on one of the maneuvers. Seven democrats of proved party loyalty on party questions, and all among Mr. Wilson's supporters when he ran for President, are holding out against the ship bill in what they consider an undemocratic form. They have received no mandate from the people on the subject, and they seriously doubt the President's judgment on the matter.

Already, under the liberality of the Senate's rules, changes in the measure have been accepted by the President's friends. If any bill at all is passed it will not be the bill originally brought in with the President's approval. And even in its present shape it has not the hearty approval of all who are supporting it. Cloture for the Senate could not be ordered at a more inopportune time, and if it is ordered those responsible will be among the first to suffer from it.

The Pistol-Carrying Evil.

The evil habit of unlawful gun-carrying adds fresh casualties to its long and gresome list by the early Sunday morning shooting affray on 9th street. A man whom a policeman sought to arrest promptly opened fire with murderous intent, and his two companions on being arrested are said to have been found armed. The world stands in need of many reforms, but one demanding close and quick attention is that of gun-carrying by unauthorized persons. That a mentally defective man, a thug or a potential assassin be allowed to supply himself with deadly weapons and walk the streets ought not to be permitted. A remedy for this menace to peaceable and law-respecting people should be found and rigorously applied. The solution lies in stringent regulations, and their enforcement, governing the sale of deadly weapons, and the infliction of a penalty on pistol carriers that will teach a lesson against this pernicious practice.

While bread goes up in price the wheat fields promise some compensation by giving employment to great armies of harvesters.

Proverb experts now say it is as easy to judge a man by his clothes as it is to determine the nationality of a ship by its flag.

Mexicans have lately shown a discreet reluctance about allowing their war zones to expand into Gov. Colquitt's territory.

A six-cent loaf of bread as a permanent institution might lead to so curious a coin as a six-cent piece.

Finding Jobs for Men and Women.

The Associated Charities is doing excellent work in aiding the unemployed of this city, though it perhaps has not succeeded in finding work for all needy persons able to perform labor. In this enterprise the Associated Charities should receive the practical co-operative help of all classes of citizens, who are directly interested in the solving of the un-

employment problem. In practically every household there is work to be done. Every householder, however, is not in a position to do this work himself, and a large number of them can afford to hire assistance. In some neighborhoods co-operative groups have already been formed to give steady employment to men at fair living rates, by the pooling of these small jobs. If this idea were carried through the city the percentage of unemployment would be appreciably reduced. In this situation every possible employer of labor should keep in touch with some such central agency as the Associated Charities to offer jobs to men, whether skilled or unskilled. A job given is far better than money contributed to the charity funds. Both, however, are needed. During the next six weeks, when severe weather may be expected, the charity requirements of the city will be perhaps heavier than at any other time in the year, and this is the season for practical co-operation in the matter of furnishing work as well as keeping the charity-distributing organizations well supplied with funds.

The Iowan and the Capital.

In the course of his address the other night before the Midcity Citizens' Association, Representative Prouty, explaining his views of the relationship between the District and federal government, contrasted taxation in Washington and Iowa and pointed out that after the Iowan has built his own sidewalk he must chip in and pay half the cost of the Washingtonian's sidewalk. It may be interesting to point out just what the Iowan pays for the Washingtonian's sidewalk as his share of the federal contribution to the maintenance of the capital. On the 1st of July last the census bureau estimated there were 98,781,344 people in the continental United States, of whom 353,378 were in the District of Columbia, leaving 98,427,966 in the United States outside of the District. The total District budget for the year 1914-15 is \$12,065,992.74, one-half of which comes from the federal government, or \$6,032,996.37. The population of Iowa on July 1, 1914, the census estimates, was 2,231,755, or .0225 of the total population of the United States outside of the District. Each Iowan therefore is paying 60.82 cents this fiscal year to maintain the District of Columbia provided he actually contributes his proportionate share of the federal revenues. And according to the same reckoning of the \$6,000 which it is estimated will be spent out of federal money for local sidewalks this fiscal year each Iowan will pay approximately one-twentieth of one cent.

Surely not much of a burden for District sidewalk maintenance or of whole District maintenance rests on the shoulders of the average Iowan. As a matter of fact, the Iowan, without question, pays less than the average of federal contribution for the District's maintenance. Iowa is an interior state, mostly comprising small towns and rural communities, and is a small subscriber to the government's revenues, either in excise taxes or in customs. In all likelihood the District pays as much into the federal Treasury in the form of customs, excise taxes and income tax as Iowa; and it is certainly paying far more per capita, so that the average Washingtonian, in addition to paying his half of the National Capital maintenance cost, is doing more than the Iowan on the federal side.

In these circumstances it is difficult to see where any particular injustice is imposed upon the Iowan in the matter of keeping up the national seat of government. Certainly the actual money burden which rests upon him, less than six and a tenth cents a year, does not bear heavily, and it is doubtful whether any single Iowan understanding the facts would ever regard this subscription as an imposition, especially when the Washingtonian stands on the same basis as a contributor to the federal maintenance fund, as well as carrying directly half of the whole burden.

Charitable Philadelphia recently had a "self-sacrifice day." Self-sacrifice in Philadelphia will never get as far as making it easy for another town to win the base ball pennant.

The habit of talking about business as an invalid may cause psychological depression to be displaced by the even more dangerous affliction—hypochondria.

A Chicago girl says that she lived on two stalks of celery a day. Evidently the vegetarians have invaded the very headquarters of the beef-steak.

It seems almost possible to keep the filibustering going until a settlement of the war in Europe permits ship purchase without embarrassment.

The Parkway Link.

The approval of the War Department has been given to the resolution introduced in the Senate by Mr. Saulsbury authorizing the commission created for the purpose of acquiring land for the connecting parkway to amend in its discretion the map in the office of the Engineer Commissioner of the District so as to exclude lands not needed and to include lands needed for the execution of the plan for the Rock Creek parkway as approved by the commission of fine arts. The purpose of the resolution is to advance the project of connecting the park lands

of the upper Rock Creek valley with the park lands reclaimed from the Potomac river. The parkway link besides turning an eyesore into a beauty spot would increase largely the present advantages and use of Rock Creek Park, the Zoo and Potomac Park. The official approval by the War Department of the revision of the first plans, contemplated by Senator Saulsbury's resolution, may help in expediting the reclamation of the lower reaches of Rock creek. It is an improvement needed by the National Capital, and very much desired by persons interested in the systematic development and beautification of the nation's city.

Donation Week!

Washington's generosity responds promptly to the demands upon it. It was always so. The city has always had its own poor to provide for, and in all the chronicles of the city from its foundation to the present one may read accounts of charitable work by the more prosperous and fortunate citizens. To all national emergencies the citizens of Washington have made prompt and liberal response. To help relieve distress consequent upon great American or foreign disasters, the people of Washington have opened their purses. In this year besides the needs of the indigent and unemployed people of Washington the citizens of the National Capital have made and are making their contributions to the stricken people of Belgium, Poland and Serbia, while contributions have been made for Germans, French, British and Russians. And now comes donation week, which will begin on Wednesday. It is to be a city-wide campaign for the relief of the local poor and needy, and the cause commends itself to the good and generous people of the capital.

The American Uniform.

It is announced that the Navy Department, on the advice of the United States district attorney in this city, will not press its case against a local theater for alleged discrimination against an enlisted man in uniform. In connection with this matter it is given out that the theater management disclaims discrimination against the United States uniform, and assures the department that enlisted men in uniform are admitted without question. It seems to be a satisfactory ending. Plain Americans, and under that phrase are comprehended most Americans, do not complacently view a snobbish discrimination against an American soldier or sailor in uniform. A man who if in civilian clothes would be admitted certainly should not be excluded because he appears in the uniform of the armed service of the United States. There is, to put it mildly, no prejudice in the minds of Americans against a man in the American uniform.

Uncertainties as to how some of the democrats in Congress will vote are such as to suggest that there may be more real arguments in a filibustering speech than the hurried reader is able to discover.

Mexico has not yet produced a provisional government that provided anything.

SHOOTING STARS.

BY PHILANDER JOHNSON.

Easing the Stress.

"Why do you keep looking over the weather map?"  
"For relaxation. The names are so much easier to spell and pronounce than those on the war map."

Modern Facilities.

"Do you live in the city or the country?"  
"My residence is what you might call hyphenated. I'm a commuter."

Extreme Compliment.

Has baby an angelic smile?  
The family shout, "Well, rather!"  
And then they shout in solemn style, "It looks just like its father."

Vigorous Reform.

"There are sermons in stones."  
"Possibly," replied Miss Cayenne, "that accounts for the fact that some of the sermons intended to reform big cities remind you of a man throwing rocks."

Another Suggestion.

This filibustering is rough, said Aristides Blinker.  
"It is a duty rather tough. To be a constant thinker. This conversation, while it's grand. Would be improved, I'm saying. If they would only bring a band And start the music playing."

And when the sound of sweetness

clayed  
I'd further still remove it.  
The time we spend could be enjoyed  
If we would just improve it.  
The joy of toil I would restore  
And make our task entrancing.  
I'd simply have them clear the floor  
And start a little dancing."

Jackson Will Keep Order.

From the Houston Post.  
We suppose the authorities in Washington have taken precaution to prevent the bronze statues of Gen. Lafayette, Count Rochambeau and Baron Steuben in Lafayette Square from violating our neutrality.

Conditions in Washington.

From the Boston Transcript.  
It's getting so now in Washington that the President can't tell whether he's being upheld by the Senate or held up.

Already Famous.

From the Philadelphia Inquirer.  
An astrologer says the Sayre baby will be famous. Isn't it already so?

# Woodward & Lothrop

New York—WASHINGTON—Paris.

Today, Tomorrow and Wednesday  
We Are Presenting in Completeness

## THE SPRING SEASON'S MILLINERY MODES AS THEY HAVE BEEN CONCEIVED AND APPROVED BY FASHION AUTHORITIES.

Revealing the widely diverse styles, in distinctively beautiful effects, an indication of which may be gained from the following notes:

Streamers are much in evidence; at the back and side back.

Sheer laces, in veil effect, fall softly from the brim of many of the new chapeaux.

Touchees of orange blossoms; brilliant, dark-hued blackberries, various fruits and flowers.

Trimmings generally lie flat and are caught tight.

Many quaint and pretty poke effects that harmonize well with the prevailing modes of yesteryear.

Hemp braids, liserie braid and the new "barnyard" straws.

Hats worn upright on the head and high, showing more of the hair.

The combinations of satin and straw are much favored for early season wear.

Many shapes that are upturned at the back.

Combinations of soft, dainty colorings are seen on colored hats.

Three and four cornered Continental shapes.

Small and medium sizes in the majority.



The exclusiveness of these and many other new features make this presentation of great interest and value as an authentic source of style information.

## FINAL CLEARANCE WEEK IN WOMEN'S SUITS:

We Place on Sale Tomorrow, Tuesday

## 99 Women's Suits at \$8.75

That Were Formerly Up to \$25.00.

This low price should close them out at once, which is our reason for making it so radical.

SERGES, BLACK,  
GABARDINES, BLUE,  
BROADCLOTHS, BROWN,  
ARMURE CLOTHS, GREEN, PLUM.

All sizes from 34 to 40.

Tailored and trimmed styles of several kinds.

\$8.75 each—formerly up to \$25.00

## FUR COATS AT HALF PRICE.

Final reductions on all Fur Coats remaining in stock—exactly half of the original prices will now buy them.

3 Handsome Genuine Seal Coats. 1 size 36, \$137.50—was \$275.00. 1 size 36, \$125.00—was \$250.00. 1 size 38, \$125.00—was \$250.00.	2 Caracul Coats, with civet cat collars. 1 size 36, \$42.50—was \$85.00. 1 size 38, \$35.00—was \$70.00.
1 Hudson Seal Coat, with Fitch collar and cuffs; size 38. \$75.00—was \$150.00.	1 Baby Pony Coat, Australian Opossum collar and cuffs; size 36. \$42.50—was \$85.00.
2 Nearseal Coats—highest quality skins. 1 size 36, \$40.00—was \$80.00. 1 size 38, \$45.00—was \$90.00.	3 Black Pony Coats, good models; sizes 36 and 38. \$17.50 each—were \$35.00.

## THE ANNUAL CLEARANCE SALE OF WOMEN'S SHOES

Begins Tuesday Morning, and in Assortments and Savings It Is One of the Best We Have Ever Assembled.

THIS IS OUR ANNUAL CLEARANCE OF ALL HIGH SHOES.

As is our annual custom, we have assembled all the incomplete lines, odd sizes and styles of the stock of Women's High Shoes, which we will not duplicate another season, in order to close them out quickly, and while they are yet in season.

They are Shoes that we know thoroughly because they are the remainders of our own stocks that we have been selling during the winter, and come from the same makers that supply our high-grade footwear at all times.

It hardly seems necessary to make any comment in regard to their style, since the fact that only these small lots remain should be enough in their favor relative to the manner in which they have been received by our patrons.

We Present Here a Brief Description of Some of the Models to be Found in the Sale:

Patent Leather with cloth top, in fawn, gray and black, or black kidskin tops; turn and welt soles and Spanish or Cuban heels.  
Gun Metal Calfskin Shoes with black cloth and kidskin tops, and Goodyear welt or turn soles and Spanish or Cuban heels.  
Tan Russia Calfskin, in button and lace styles, with Goodyear soles and Cuban heels.  
Black Suede High Button Shoes with Goodyear welt soles and Cuban heels.  
White Canvas and Buckskin Button Shoes, with welt soles and Cuban heels.

Not all sizes in any one style, but all sizes are represented in the combined lot, and a correct fitting can be obtained in one style or another.

We advise early choice, as it will then be possible to select from the entire lot the style that appeals most to you, and thus derive the greatest advantage from the sale.

\$2.50 pair. Were \$3.00 to \$7.00



## Lovely New Dance Frocks.

THE modified high waist is the very newest feature of the new dresses, and the many attractive variations in which it is shown afford a good opportunity for the selection of a distinctive style. Plain waist lines and narrow bands in lovely girle effects or shirred models are a few of the ways in which this charming style has been utilized. The full skirts are mostly plain, and the dainty blouses are finished in exquisite fashions, with rosettes on the shoulders, cording and dainty ruffles, and the shortest of sleeves of tulle or lace.

A lovely showing in all of the desired shades—pale pink rose, Nile green, apricot, peach, orange, white and the new shade, chartreuse—a soft coloring which is the newest of all of fashion's decrees.

\$18.75, \$19.75 and \$25.00 each.

Third floor, G street.

## Spring Blouses

in a Complete Showing of New Styles.

HERE one may find every mode in Spring Blouses that has thus far been approved, hence no worthy style is absent. The advantage of such a complete variety of styles cannot be too strongly emphasized, because such an exhibit gives to every one the individuality of choice which is the only satisfactory way in buying clothes.

THE MATERIALS—Georgette Crepe, Chiffon and Lace, Crepe de Chine, Radium, Pussy Willow, Pongee and Shantung Silks, in all the delightfully new soft-toned colorings of the season.

We mention a few of the latest models:

The Tipperary Blouse of pongee with yoke and box plaits.

A Crepe de Chine Blouse, with high collar and cuffs of lace, and a Persian-edged frill.

The Country Club Waist of crepe in an unusual style, with tiny pocket on each side.

New Pongee Sport Blouse, very simple, with three-quarter sleeves and turn-back cuffs and tie.

Priced from \$2.25 to \$6.75 each.

NEW LINGERIE BLOUSES—The showing becomes more interesting each day; new and dainty styles with features that are entirely new. A dainty convertible collar which may be worn in either high or low style is seen on many of the new blouses. Priced from \$1.00 to \$5.00 each.

Third floor, G street.

## New Shawls in a Beautiful Assortment.

WE call your attention to a very attractive and beautiful display of New Shawls which were recently selected and have just arrived. These are the Shawls that are desired for wear to theater, at entertainments or for protection to the head and shoulders at any time. There is a wide variety of weaves, styles and colorings, ranging from the simplest and least expensive to the very finest, comprising

Black and White Hair Line Striped Wool Shawls, Black Cashmere Shawls, Black Chudra Shawls, Black Silk Shawls, Steamer Shawls, in Highland and Gregor Plaids.	White Cashmere Shawls, White Chudra Shawls, White Silk Shawls, Wool Scarfs, with light blue, pink and violet silk stripes; Newport Shoulder Shawls, in assorted plaids.
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Prices, 75c, \$1.50, \$1.95, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.50, \$3.75, \$3.95, \$4.50, \$5.00, \$6.75, \$8.75 and \$10.50 each.

Third floor, G street.

## Parame Corsets in Authentic Spring Styles.

ALL changes that the fashionable and correct corset for the new season should have are embodied in the Parame. Extreme models such as have had quite a vogue in the past year have been withdrawn, and we return to the conservative corset as the proper one. It loses none of the suppleness of the corset of last season by the additional quantity of boning, because we have learned to use it more effectively and wisely.

Corset materials continue to be rich and pliable—broche and fine French coutil are the ones generally used in the Parame.

The back and hips are straight, but a slight tendency is noted for a curving side waist line and at the front, which is in accord with the present modes. In some of the models the bust is a trifle higher, but the majority of the corsets are still cut low. Skirts, while yet long, are gradually returning to normal lengths.

Parame Corsets for spring give a correct interpretation of the latest styles, and the woman who wears them will do so with every assurance in their perfection.

\$7.50 to \$15.00 pair.

Third floor, Eleventh street.

## The Special Baby Carriage at \$22.50.

This Baby Carriage is in the Pullman Sleeper style, and is the most modern design.

Made of heavy, full, round reed, with adjustable hood to match; the body is of the turn-table design, which permits it to be swung from back to front with ease; high-grade tubular steel gear and artillery wheels; complete with wind shield.



In White, Gray, Brown and Natural—\$22.50.

Fourth floor, Tenth street.